



Boulders Rally Past Capitales Keep Pressure on Ottawa & NJ

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Pomona, NY – The Boulders fell behind the Québec Capitales 3-0 in the top of the second inning Friday night but answered immediately with a five-run bottom half on their way to a 7-5 series opening win at Clover Stadium.

New York (54-45) saw Caps C Nicholas Deschamps drill a three-run homer off RHP **Garrett Cooper** (W, 8-2 / 6 IP, 3 R, 7 H, 2 BB, 6 K), but they were the only runs Cooper gave up as he collected his team-high eighth win of the season.

The Boulders got a game-tying two-run double off the bat of DH **Daniel McElveny**, who scored moments later on SS **Austin Dennis**' tie-breaking ribby double before C **Jason Agresti** drove in Dennis with a single to make it 5-3.

Two-out RBI infield singles in the bottom of the fourth from 2B **Santino Rosso** and 3B **Josh Leslie** pushed the score to 7-3, with Québec plating the final two runs of the night in the top of the eighth against LHP **Ethan Bradford** after RHP **Anthony Leak** pitched a perfect seventh.

RHP **Jalon Long** (SV #7) worked a 1-2-3 ninth for his second save in as many nights and seventh of the season.

The last regular season series continues tomorrow (Saturday) night, with first pitch scheduled for 6:30pm EDT.

Also of note:

* Agresti tied his season high in hits, going 4-for-4 (also June 5 vs. Down East)

* Dennis (2 runs scored) was the only Boulder to cross the plate more than once

* Ottawa opened its four-game series at New Jersey with a 7-4 win, meaning the Boulders trail the Jackals by just one game in the East Division and are still down 1.5 games vs. the Titans for the #1 Wild Card in the Atlantic Conference

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